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MEMORANDUM FOR: ███████████████   Special Assistant to the DD/I

SUBJECT   :   Requirements on the Sino-Soviet Dispute

REFERENCE   :   Collection Guidance Staff Memorandum, same subject,
                  5 July 1963

1. The referenced memorandum is inaccurate and misleading with regard to requirements on military aspects of the dispute. It conveys the impression that Military Division, OCI, has filed to give this problem the foresight and attention it requires, and that the Collection Guidance Staff has stepped in and cleaned the matter up. It is particularly unfair to the OCI analyst involved, who has made a nuisance of himself for several years trying to get people interested.

2. The facts are as follows:

a. Military Division first called attention to the lack of adequate military intelligence on the Sino-Soviet border area in a memorandum of 31 December 1959.

b. The first piece on this subject in any intelligence publication appeared in the <u>Current Intelligence Weekly Review</u> for 3 November 1960.

c. SR Division, DD/P, was formally alerted to our interest in this matter in a memorandum from Military Division dated 13 February 1961.

d. Military Division placed formal requirements on NSA on 20 March and on NPIC on 7 February of this year. (It should be noted that paragraph 3 of the CGS memo refers to this requirement but implies that it was placed <u>after</u> CGS took action). The NPIC requirement was C181-63. The NSA requirement was C-C13-70,034. (I do not understand how CGS could have listed 70,032 and 70,033 as standing requirements on the Sino-Soviet dispute and omitted 70,034).

3. CGS has done its job in reviewing the situation and placing comprehensive requirements on the record. The way its actions are presented, however, leaves an unwarranted imputation that we have been remiss.

4. I am sending a copy of this memorandum to J. J. Hitchcock.

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